

## ROLL CALL

DATE 2-21-07

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## SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs** recommend that **Senate Bill 524** (first reading copy -- white) **do pass as amended.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Vicki Cocchiarella*  
Senator Vicki Cocchiarella, Chair

**And, that such amendments read:**

1. Title, line 5.

**Following:** "BREWERIES"

**Insert:** "AND WINE BY WINERIES"

2. Page 2, line 25.

**Following:** "brewery"

**Insert:** ", "

**Strike:** "or"

3. Page 2, line 26.

**Following:** "winery."

**Insert:** ", or wholesaler"

- END -

**Committee Vote:**

**Yes 10, No 1**

Fiscal Note Required \_\_\_\_\_ *KJ*

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs** recommend that **Senate Bill 475** (first reading copy -- white) **do pass**.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Vicki Cocchiarella".

*Senator Vicki Cocchiarella, Chair*

- END -

**Committee Vote:**

**Yes 6, No 5**

Fiscal Note Required \_\_\_\_\_

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs** recommend that **Senate Bill 352** (first reading copy -- white) **do pass as amended.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Vicki Cocchiarella*  
Senator Vicki Cocchiarella, Chair

**And, that such amendments read:**

1. Title, line 5.

**Following:** "RESTRICTIONS"

**Insert:** "WITH QUALIFICATIONS"

2. Page 1, line 19.

**Following:** "town"

**Insert:** "if that third-class city or town requires new  
firefighters over the age of 34 to pass a physical agility  
test as designated by the third-class city or town"

- END -

**Committee Vote:**

**Yes 6, No 5**

Fiscal Note Required \_\_\_\_\_

*KF*

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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs** recommend that **Senate Bill 465** (first reading copy -- white) **do pass as amended.**

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

*Vicki Cocchiarella*  
Senator Vicki Cocchiarella, Chair

**And, that such amendments read:**

1. Page 4, line 4.

**Strike:** subsection (10) in its entirety

- END -

**Committee Vote:**

**Yes 10, No 0**

Fiscal Note Required \_\_\_\_

*KF*

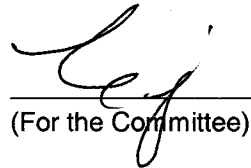
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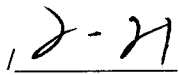
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**TABLED BILL**

The **SENATE BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE** TABLED SB 455, by motion, on **Wednesday, February 21, 2007**.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(For the Committee)

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
(Secretary of the Senate)

\_\_\_\_\_,   
(Time) (Date)

February 21, 2007

Cj Johnson, Secretary

Phone: 44-4762

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Tabled ~~9-2~~ w/ Sen Ryan + Larson, Voting  
9-2 no

MONTANA STATE SENATE  
2007 LEGISLATURE

BUSINESS, LABOR AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE 2-21-07 BILL NO. SB 475 NUMBER 6-5

MOTION: DO PASS AS AMENDED

PASSED

NAME	AYE	NO
SEN. JOE BALLYEAT (R)		✓
SEN. ROY BROWN (R)		✓
SEN. JOHN ESP (R)		✓
SEN. VERDELL JACKSON (R)		✓
SEN. LANE LARSON (D)	✓	
SEN. DON RYAN (D)	✓	
SEN. FRANK SMITH (D)	✓	
SEN. CAROLYN SQUIRES (D)	✓	
SEN. DONALD STEINBEISSER (R)		✓
SEN. JOE TROPILA (D)	✓	
SEN. VICKI COCCHIARELLA (D) - CHAIRWOMAN	✓	

MONTANA STATE SENATE  
2007 LEGISLATURE

BUSINESS, LABOR AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

ROLL CALL VOTE

DATE 2-21-07 BILL NO. SB352 NUMBER 6-5

MOTION: DO PASS AS AMENDED

PASSED

NAME	AYE	NO
SEN. JOE BALLYEAT (R)	✓	
SEN. ROY BROWN (R)	✓	
SEN. JOHN ESP (R)	✓	
SEN. VERDELL JACKSON (R)	✓	
SEN. LANE LARSON (D)		✓
SEN. DON RYAN (D)		✓
SEN. FRANK SMITH (D)	✓	
SEN. CAROLYN SQUIRES (D)		✓
SEN. DONALD STEINBEISSER (R)	✓	
SEN. JOE TROPILA (D)		✓
SEN. VICKI COCCHIARELLA (D) - CHAIRWOMAN		✓



## SENATE PROXY FORM

According to Senate Rule 30-70 ( 13 ) ( f ) , a committee member may vote by proxy using a standard form.

### PROXY VOTE

I, the undersigned, hereby authorize Senator Verdell Jackson

to vote my proxy on any issue before the Senate Business &

Labor Committee

held on 2/21, 2007.

SB 524 - YES

Amendment - SB 524 01.0pm

SB 475 - NO

  
SENATOR

STATE OF MONTANA

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### PROXY VOTE

I, the undersigned, hereby authorize Senator Verlell Jackson

to vote my proxy on any issue before the Senate Business &

Labor Committee

held on 2/21, 2007.

SB 352 - y  
SB 455 - y to table  
SB 465 - y

Don Steinbocker  
SENATOR  
STATE OF MONTANA

## SENATE PROXY FORM

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### PROXY VOTE

I, the undersigned, hereby authorize Senator

Cochran

to vote my proxy on any issue before the Senate

\_\_\_\_\_  
Committee

held on

2/21/07

\_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

SB 352 - pass-no (6-5 passed)  
SB 455 - do pass then talk - no vote  
John Ingala

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SENATOR

STATE OF MONTANA

**MONTANA STATE SENATE  
2007 LEGISLATURE**

**VISITOR REGISTER**

**BUSINESS AND LABOR**

DATE 2-21-07

BILLS BEING HEARD TODAY SB 467, 468, 474, 489, 524

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NAME	PHONE	REPRESENTING	BILL #	SUPPORT	OPPOSE
CARROLL SMITH	444-1285	BOT	467		✓
"	"	"	468		✓
Terrill Moore	255-5304	BOT	467		✓
"	"	"	468		✓
Trevor MacDonald	442-1570	Sandy Mac's Distributing	524	✓	
Riley Johnson	443-3797	NFIB	474		X
Shawn Bubb	457-4418	MSGJA	489	✓	
John Youngberg	576-1103	MSBF	474		✓
Spook Shams	442-6600	MMCA	474		X
Kristi Blazewicz		MT Beer & Wine Distr	524	X	
Steve Pitcher	439-4178	MT Stock Growers Assoc	SB 474		X
Brian Smith	449-3005	MT ST. Brewers Assoc	SB 524	✓	
Shauna Helfert	444-1464	DOR	SB 524	✓	
Byron Roberts	442-4479	MT Building Ind Assn	SB 474		✓
Larry Kuhlner	360-770 6925	PCIARA	SB 474	✓	
Andrea Olsen		MT Trial Lawyer	SB 474	X	
Larry Jones	5-43-2420	Liberty N.W.	SB 474	X	
Jim Werbeck	775-329-2458	Employees	SB 474	X	
Ed Heine	406-532-5911	PAYNE FINANCIAL GROUP	SB 474		✓
Jacqueline Lyman	2-0230	Am Old Assn	SB 474	X	
Don Judge	459-1708	MT Shipyard Workers Relief Council	SB 474	X	

PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH COMMITTEE SECRETARY

## BUSINESS AND LABOR

**BILLS BEING HEARD TODAY** 474

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**PLEASE LEAVE PREPARED STATEMENT WITH COMMITTEE SECRETARY**

**From:** "BOBBIE CROSSGUNS" <rcrossguns@msn.com>  
**To:** <ed@bkbh.com>  
**Date:** 2/19/2007 9:30:07 PM  
**Subject:** testimony re SB 455

Roberta Cross Guns

I was unable to figure out how to email this message to the Senate Committee that will hear this bill or its chair, Vicki Cocciarella. So, I hope you can get this into the record for me.

I hope the Committee votes "no" on this bill for the following reasons:

It has the very likely potential to cause the closure of many of the deferred deposit and title loan companies. This would cause real hardship for many families and individuals who rely on these companies on occasion to fill gaps in their economic life. Most of those families and individuals do not qualify for traditional loans for a variety of reasons. Most of them are hardworking, reliable, persons who take their financial well-being seriously and responsibly. I was and am one of those folks. When my former husband and I came to Helena from Browning, Montana, we were in dire straits. We were without work and had the unexpected burden of custody for his three small children being suddenly transferred to us. Tony got a job quickly, but it took an extra effort for me. This was November 1997. Christmas was coming and we were not inclined to disappoint these three tykes. So, we went to Cash Advantage here in Helena and borrowed on Tony's check. We paid the debt in a timely manner and were able to have a wonderful family holiday. I continue to use their services from time to time, as needed. With only my income now, there are times when even the best planning leaves me a bit short of funds. Thanks to Cash Advantage I can still do that on occasion.

I have also observed other conscientious borrowers make successful use of these services, including my nephew Patrick. He also came to Helena from Browning hoping to make a better life for himself after completion of a jail term. Patrick moved his family to Helena and began working. He was the sole supporter for this family and, again, on occasion they were short funded. He borrowed from Cash Advantage and by following the simple process, the easy terms were met. I am happy to report that Patrick is still a sober and productive citizen of Montana six years after coming here.

While it may appear that the services of these companies is only used by the poverty stricken, that is simply not true. Furthermore, the folks who cry foul because they have become "entrapped" by these loan sharks are being dishonest about their own responsibility. We all are required to pay our debt. Americans live for debt and many get into trouble because they don't pay their debt: credit cards are an excellent example. For many of us, we would not be able to meet some of our goals without the occasionally and short-term assistance offered by the deferred deposit and title loan companies. Please don't make us all suffer for the mistakes of a few irresponsible borrowers who now blame the companies who took the risk of loaning money to them. Vote "no" on SB 455.

Thank you,

Roberta Cross Guns  
Opponent

*Senator Trapila, 2/20*  
*Mrs. Cross Guns asked me to give you a*  
*copy of her message. Thank You,*  
*Ed Bartlett*